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Merry Christmas

IT WILL BE A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELING

Santa Claus Has Sent Word He Will Be Here In Person

The local organization of the Elks known as Antler's Club will be ace high with all the younger generation this week for they have been the recipients of a letter straight from the North Pole in which old Kris Kringle most emphatically states that he will be in Holbrook without fail on Christmas Day. He says that he wouldn't miss the big Community Christmas Tree which the Elks will have here that afternoon for any amount of money. The members are hearing from him every evening by radio and he says that he is getting his Christmas work well along and will be here right on the dot. So you see this Christmas Tree is bound to be a huge success.

Mr. John Brown of Cooley has taken it upon himself to select and cut down the big tree which is to do duty at the Drug Store corner this year and Major Shipley with the aid of the Apache Ry. will see that it arrives here in first class condition. We heard that old Santa had told the Elks about all good things that there will be on the tree for each child in Holbrook, but we won't tell exactly what the old gentleman is planning as the surprise is half the fun. However we do know this. There is going to be some mighty fine singing there at the tree and a short program to welcome the Elks guests and to make old Santa Claus feel right at home. We know that the men are sparing no trouble or expense to make this Christmas the best ever and Santa is with them heart and soul.

The tree will be ready at 2:30 in the afternoon of Christmas Day and everybody in town is most cordially invited to be present. Anyone who misses the good time has only himself to blame. Santa Claus will be there and we know there isn't a kiddie in town who will willingly miss seeing him. Don't forget the hour, 2:30 sharp!

Christmas Greetings

The Taylor-Fuller Well was spudded in on Thanksgiving Day and is undoubtedly an additional reason why all who live in Holbrook and vicinity should anticipate a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. While the well is being financed from outside sources, we want the people of this community to feel that it is their enterprise, and visitors will always be welcomed cordially at the well, unless drilling operations should make it necessary to impose restrictions for the public safety.

We wish the people of Northern Arizona all the good of this Happy Christmas time.

S. EARL TAYLOR

CHRISTMAS SERVICE AT POST OFFICE

In order to facilitate the delivery of delayed Xmas parcels I have decided to open the Parcel Post window on Sunday December 24th from 9 a. m. to 10 a. m. for the delivery of parcels only. On Xmas day Dec. 25th the parcel post window and the General delivery will be open for service from 8 a. m. to 10 a. m.

Chas. Osborne, Postmaster.

W. W. FRANKLIN CLOSES DEAL FOR STAR AGENCY

This last week W. W. Franklin sought warmer climes and during his stay in Phoenix closed the deal whereby he becomes local agent for the new Star automobile.

This car, which is a comparatively new arrival in the field of motordom has created quite a stir in automobile circles. It is put out by an auxiliary of the Durant Motor Company.

The Star is a low priced car of super-excellent quality and its arrival here is awaited with a great deal of interest as so far none of them have been displayed in Holbrook. Mr. Franklin expects a carload lot of them in about December 25 and then the many inquirers who are interested in examining the fine points of its excellent motor and well equipped body will be welcome to give it the once over.

Mr. Franklin has moved his office to a room adjoining the Commercial Hotel and will have the new cars on display there.

Honestly now, don't you believe Bill was born with an automobile in one hand and a sales contract in the other? If not, then he got 'em on his first Christmas Tree.

\$24,000,000.00 OIL VALUE UNDER 80 ACRES OF LAND IN CALIFORNIA

Enormous Fortunes in Oil Taken From Small Areas

Dr. S. Earl Taylor, who has just returned from a trip to Los Angeles, although hurried by a business, still found time to make a short expedition through some of the nearby oil fields.

Dr. Taylor says that conditions are almost unbelievably good there and it is the greatest encouragement in the world those who are endeavoring to prove the Holbrook Field to know that such enormous rewards are possible upon the successful completion of their task. The saturation of the oil sands in this district may be such as to produce many of these fortune making wells in the near future.

In speaking of the Signal Hill Oil Field near Long Beach, Dr. Taylor said:

"It is a very wonderful sight to see the hundreds and hundreds of derricks which are so close together that they look like a forest. But I was especially interested to learn, through one of the men who is drilling there, that they estimate from present production and from the depth of the sands, that there is \$24,000,000 worth of oil in that field under each eighty acre plot. This gives one a rather vivid idea of the enormous value of a really productive oil field."

We hear a great deal about people who lose money in oil, and hear less about those who have made money. Of course, Calif. is full of both classes. But I was in-

terested in one specific case where Dr. Poling met one of his relatives who had invested \$175 in a share in one of the Signal Hill oil wells, and who for some months have been drawing \$250 a month as income from this initial investment.

I was greatly stimulated to see how men had ventured, having faith in the enterprise, and how in so many places their faith had been justified."

A map of this district shows the oil derricks fairly crowding each other for standing room and most of them are large producers. The whole country in and around Los Angeles is dotted with these fields, Richfield, Fullerton, Olinde, Brea Canyon, Puente Hills, Montebello, Signal Hill, and many others are among the number. In the future Los Angeles bids for fair to be termed, not "The City of Angels" but "The City of Oil".

Holbrook situated as it is in the center of many locations indicated by expert geologists as extremely favorable for the discovery of oil may soon find this same future confronting it. Knowing the men who believe in the ultimate future of this Holbrook Field we can only say that we also believe in it most strongly.

Tom Hubbard well known cattleman was in Holbrook Thursday.

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM ADAMANA OIL & LAND CO.

Heat Increasing As Drill Descends Good Indication

The people of Navajo County and the entire State of Arizona have a good right to be happy the coming new year, for the splendid work that is being done in the Holbrook Oil Field by the Adamana Company.

For four years, this Company has resolutely fought the ups and down and the hard luck of every nature, incident to a pioneer or wild cat field, but it has never faltered, so sincere was the belief of the management in ultimate substantial production. This belief was not based on a "hunch" but upon the best scientific advice from many eminent geologists.

The Adamana is drilling on Section Four, Township Fourteen North, Range Twenty East, upon what is known as the Great Anticline, and is located upon a cross-fold and dome on this structure. It encountered some time ago, a considerable gas flow which has been cased off, has passed through two distinct oil sands which are believed to be the Baby and Goodridge of the San

Juan Field. The well is now again gassing freely with constantly increasing showings of free oil, and there is good reason to believe that the drill is very close to the Mendenhall Sand, which is the heavy producer in the San Juan Field. A pronounced shell stratum was cut at 2725 to 2730, and this is very encouraging. The bit is now in a very dark shale, almost black, and the hole is growing hotter with every screw. In Texas the temperature of a well is the driller's best evidence of approaching production, and it is said that a cold hole is almost always a duster, while a hot hole generally.

The machinery at the Adamana has been thoroughly over-hauled, the band wheel rebuilt, and is now thirty per cent more efficient than before. While the Officers of the Company believe that they will have production within a very short distance, they make no positive statement to this effect, but say they are prepared to go to 3200 feet or better, if necessary.

MACHINERY FOR TAYLOR-FULLER WELL ON WAY

A second carload of machinery for the Taylor-Fuller Well has been ordered and since bill of lading has been received, no doubt the car will reach here very shortly.

An order is now being made up at the local offices of the company for a third carload of machinery and materials to be used at the well. Together with other things a quantity of 12 1-2 inch casing has been ordered which will be required after the water is cased off.

Since his return from the Coast Dr. Taylor has been extremely busy as there are many matters connected with the well which demand his constant attention. The men are working steadily and the electric lights continue to burn nightly on the ninety foot tower which overlooks our town.

WILL MANAGE NOVELTY SHOP

Mrs. Dick Grigsby is turning over the management of the Novelty Shop to her aunt, Miss Margaret McCarthy, of Youngstown, Ohio. Miss McCarthy has visited here in the past and while many will regret Mrs. Grigsby's departure still it will be in capable and accommodating hands.

GOOD DANCE IN PROSPECT

Mgr. Small of the Pastime announces three dances in the near future. All of them will be dandy, but the New Year Dance is especially so. It will be a masquerade and no one will be allowed on the floor unless they are masked up until eleven o'clock. Get your costume ready and fall in line. We are due for a good dance.

DANCING EXPERT WILL FORM CLASS

Prof. L. A. Hepburn will meet with those desiring to acquire a knowledge of correct dancing at the Pastime Friday night at eight o'clock. He will give a course of six lessons for the extremely moderate price of \$7.50 to men, which includes admission of their lady, or \$3.50 for unattended women.

He teaches the new and popular "cat-walk" and "paddle turn". No one will be admitted to these dance lessons without purchasing their tickets. It is an opportunity you cannot afford to miss. If you can't dance, Prof. Hepburn will teach you dancing and if you can he will improve your dancing. Lessons will be on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. Adv.

Miss Owen, private secretary to Dr. Taylor, left Tuesday morning for her home in the East where she will spend her Christmas vacation.

His First Christmas Tree



Photo by Underwood & Underwood

A host of good wishes and cheery Christmas Greetings to the many subscribers of the Holbrook News, to their relatives, friends, and the stranger within our gates. May the Holiday Season bring you happy hours and leave you pleasant memories.

OVERLAND GARAGE CHANGES HANDS

Messrs. Burton and Lemon this week consummated the deal whereby they became joint proprietors of the garage next the Holbrook Traders and across the street from the bakery and which has been known as the Overland Garage.

They took over the business last week and at present are busy settling down in their new surroundings. They will conduct an up-to-

date 'car hospital' and can promise efficient 'first aid' on all occasions and in all manner of car ailments.

Both young men are well known in Holbrook and are extremely capable in the business they are undertaking. We wish them Good Business, A Merry Christmas and A Prosperous New Year.

Miss Minnie Cordes has accepted a position with the Adamana Oil Co. and began her new duties this week.

Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

At this time, which is the most encouraging in the history of the Adamana Oil Well, its president, officers and personnel desire to send you hearty Christmas Greetings. To all the residents of Navajo and Apache Counties and to all their friends and well-wishers in more distant places they extend their best wishes for a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

THE ADAMANA OIL CO.
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